## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



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During the oral communication section of the agenda for Tuesday, January 10, 2012, Shirley Ferrante spoke regarding senior issues.

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January 2, 2012 Addendum to December 5, 2011 and November 14, 2011 letter

December 5, 2011
Addendum to November 14, 2011 letter

To the President, Democrats, Republicans and Independents:

We as seniors are worried about our future and the future of others. We don't want The Dream Act. We want mandatory E-verify. We want Simpson and Bowles to run for President and Vice-President. We liked what Simpson and Bowles ideas on the funding were and should be put into effect. Put them back working on the health care reform.

The sad part of all this is that the Republicans and Democrats have asked for ideas on how to cut spending and they take no notice of the little people with their suggestions. Unfortunately, our government is being tainted by the power of the lobbyists. AARP, Grover Norquist and other lobbyists have had secret meetings, private phone calls and private e-mails to the Super Committee. We are very sad that Grover Norquist and AARP along with other lobbyists have influenced the Super Committee to fail in their duty. Our Constitution states "WE THE PEOPLE" NOT "WE THE LOBBYISTS". We as Americans will no longer vote for anyone associated with the Super Committee. We as Americans do not hear about of these meetings except the 4 open meetings on C-Span. We need to be kept aware of what is going on. Some lobbyists in the Super Committee have tripled in size and this is not o.k. with us. For the protection of our future we would like all the lobbyists out of our government and put all the money put back towards the national debt. We want public campaign financing. We will vote for republicans, democrats and independents when they work together and they will be rewarded by their constituents by being put into office. We would like the top senators and representatives to be replaced by individuals that are willing to want to work together for the good of the people without their own agenda. The chair and the co-chair of the Super Committee should not be re-elected not matter what. Another issue we seniors would like to address is that the lobbying money could be better used in helping the poor get back on their feet, feeding the hungry here in America, helping people get their houses back or getting retrained for jobs or even going green projects. Another thing that is a big issue is not all the lobbying money is not disclosed online nor is it reported anywhere else.

We would like all Americans to get involved and realize what our government is doing. You can keep track by logging onto <a href="www.opensecrets.org">www.opensecrets.org</a>. This is an amazing website. We have made copies and mailing them to our relatives and others across the United States of America of things that are happening in our government that they may not be aware of. For example the original XL pipeline that is currently in existence has 14 leaks and already has made a mess in Michigan. Nebraskans that are republicans do not wish the XL pipeline to go through their state. They have worked too hard to lose their

Submitted by Shirley Ferrande

1/10/12 Item Oral

We implore Representative Dennis Cardoza not to retire. We would like you to work on stronger ethic rules for all politically active people including the President.

Recently on C-Span we saw that there was a problem with earmarks being slipped into the defense and agriculture bills. Washington has promised not to be slipping earmarks into bills and as usual it is happening again. I understand that Senators Claire McCaskill and Pat Toomey are working on these earmark issues. We would appreciate it much if it was done in a timely manner.

Sincerely,

Disgruntled seniors in America that are in disappointed in our government:

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